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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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POLYTECHNIC EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed the need for technical manpower in the country in the coming years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to boost the polytechnic education in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d) There is a need to establish more Polytechnics in the country as the growth of Technical Institutions in Polytechnics & Degree Engineering Colleges has been non-uniform. At present, the student intake in Diploma Institutions is about 2.65 lac, while the student intake: in Degree Engineering Colleges is about 5.82 lac. Therefore, in order to reduce the imbalance of degree and diploma intake, the Government is giving boost to Polytechnic Education during 11th Five Year Plan by starting more number of Polytechnics. In the first instance, steps have already been taken for establishment of new Polytechnics in certain Specially Identified Districts in the country. All India Council for Technical Education has also relaxed the infrastructure and other requirements for establishment of new polytechnics in order to boost private participation in polytechnic education.